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Urgh I still can't get used to those scary eyes... >.<

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About this Mango

★作品紹介★

♠ Mai is pure blood - the daughter of two transformers and so she has an immeasurable potential. Mai lived happily surrounded by the warm love of her foster father Shin'ya until one day she becomes the target of the clan of transformers and the cruel ex-biology teacher Sonehara. Mai and Akio managed to save her mother Rinko, but what about Shin'ya !?

Here is volume 1 of the super-popular suspense series, also including a one shot from the same author!!

OUCH!
MAI! DON'T PUSH YOURSELF!
AH—
...
?!
HE HAS TOLD ME BEFORE...
AKIO-SAN— LOVES YOU.
MAMA?

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THEN, YOU MUST TELL HIM
DO YOU HATE HIM?
DID YOU ANSWER HIM?
WHEN YOU KNOW THAT YOUR LIFE IS SHORT,
IT TAKES A LOT OF COURAGE TO SAY "I LOVE YOU"
YOU HAVE TO TELL HIM EVERY-THING—

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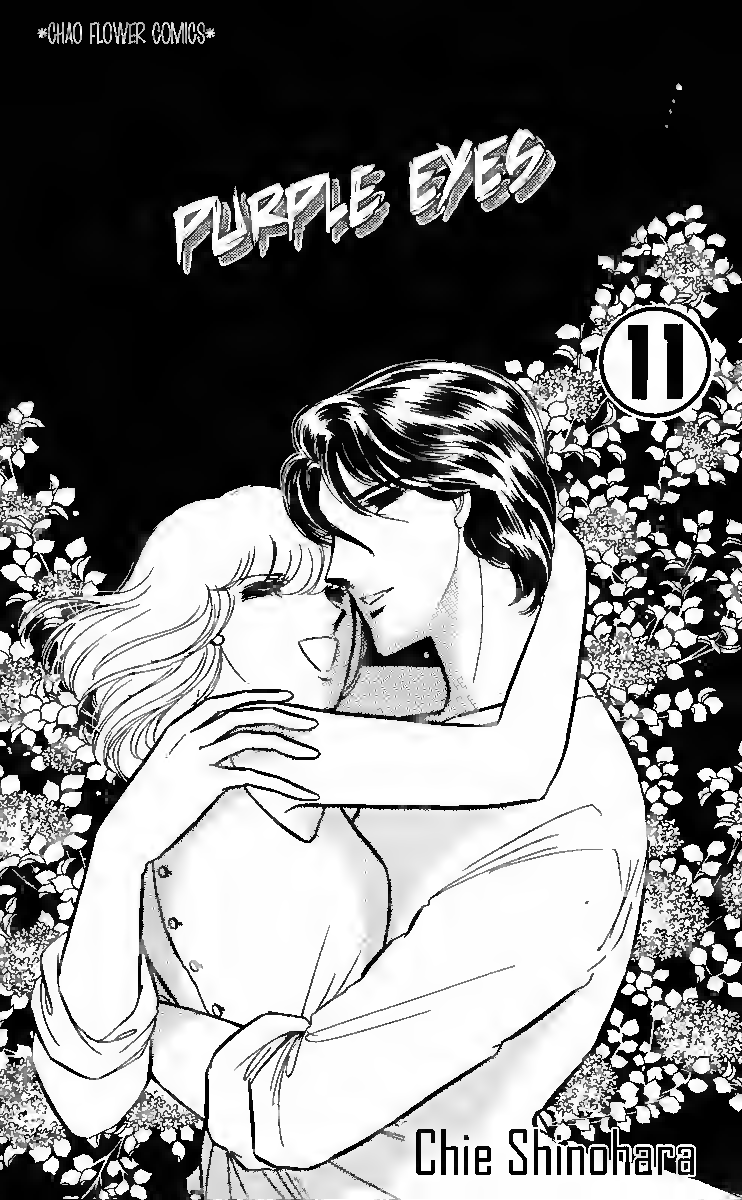

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MAIN CHARACTERS:

Akio Takashina

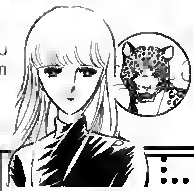
Mitsugu's nephew who sided with Mai

Shin'ya Mizushima

He was deeply in love with Rinko and raised Mai.

Mitsugu Odagiri

Mai's real father. He died in an explosion in order to protect Rinko.



Rinko Ozaki

Mai's mother and a transformer. She was frozen for fifteen years.

Mai Mizushima

A pure-blood with both parents – transformers. The extent of her powers is unknown for the moment.

Kaoruko Sonehara

A cold and cruel scientist trying to capture Mai.

THE STORY SO FAR

Rinko (Mai's mother) lived happily with her beloved Shin'ya until one day she learned that she was a transformer, who could turn into a golden panther. The cruel biology teacher Sonehara knew this and tried to capture her a number of times. While trying to avoid her traps Rinko met another transformer, Odagiri, and after a night with him, she gave birth to Mai. Shin'ya knew all this, but still married Rinko, but shortly after, Rinko disappeared in the sea in a final fight with Sonehara. Shin'ya raised Mai without telling her any of this. But the clan of the transformers sided with Sonehara to try and capture Mai and the man who betrayed them - Akio. Then Mai learned that her mother Rinko is alive and she and Akio went to save Rinko, but her father Shin'ya...

PURPLE EYES

MAMA?
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
IS THERE A WAY OUT?
Leap
AKIO!
ROAR OF FIRE
Crackle

pant
pant
cough
cough
stagger
MAMA!!!
Damn, how could my body get paralyzed at such a time!
CREAK

KYAA!
CRASH
Roar
Crackle
Crackle

The fire is spreading faster than I thought it would...
it'll catch up with us!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME, JUST GO
cough
cough
cough
Grr—
FIRE PROTECTION
THE FIRE PREVENTION SHUTTER!

LOOK, MAI!
NO?
WHY NOT?
IT'LL GIVE US TIME TO ESCAPE!
THE SWITCH IS ON THAT SIDE
THE ONE WHO WILL PRESS THE SWITCH WILL REMAIN INSIDE
Roar

Slide
Grr—
AKIO,
TAKE MAMA AND PAPA THEN COME HELP ME!
GO AHEAD
I'LL CLOSE THE SHUTTER

MAMA!!!
COME WITH US! DON'T BE STUPID!
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
.....
IF I HAVE TO DIE, AT LEAST LET ME DIE TOGETHER WITH SHIN-CHAN.
I KNOW WHY I WAS KEPT FROZEN
BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE MUCH LONGER TO LIVE.

AND I WANTED TO SAY THIS TO YOU...
I... ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE YOU WHEN YOU'VE GROWN UP...
I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH...
DON'T FORGET IT
THAT'S WHY I DON'T REGRET ANY-THING NOW...

NO, MAMA!
COME WITH US!
I BEG YOU, MAMA!
THERE'S NO NEED FOR ALL OF USE TO DIE HERE
MAMA!
DROP
AKIO-SAN, TAKE MAI AWAY
AKIO!

LET ME GO, AKIO!
Grr——
MAMA!!!
No.. I don't want this to happen!
AKIO-SAN, I LEAVE MAI TO YOU
MAMA, PLEASE! COME WITH US!

MAI—
I'M SORRY I COULDN'T RAISE YOU
Switch
CRASH

SLAM
Mama!

MAMA!
crackle
crackle
crackle
AH!
Grab
AKIO!

Papa!
clatter
clatter
creak
creak
Rear
of fire
Ma-
ma!

Sirens
Sirens
Sirens
Sirens
MAMA!
As if it finally bloomed for everyone to see.
The love between mama and papa burst into flames and rose up towards the endless sky.

MAI,
YOU SHOULD LET A DOCTOR SEE THOSE WOUNDS
...
AT LEAST, GO BACK HOME AND REST

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EVEN IF I GO HOME, THERE'S NOBODY THERE
MA! —
I HAVE NOBODY TO COME HOME TO NOW!
This wound will heal anyway.
But will this sadness ever weaken?
My heart hurts much more than my wounds.

Press

WHAT IS IT?
PAPA GAVE ME ONE KEY IT WAS THE KEY TO HIS SAFE,
WHERE HE KEEPS THE RESULTS OF HIS RESEARCH ON TRANSFORM-ERS! AND I'VE LOST IT!
THE KEY'S GONE!

AND IT TURNED OUT TO BE THE KEY TO SHIN'YA'S SAFE!
THIS IS IT! WHEN MAI DROPPED IT,
I WAS SURE IT'D BE SOMETHING INTEREST-ING!
THIS IS THE DATA HE COLLECTED AFTER LIVING TOGETHER WITH MAI FOR FIFTEEN YEARS!
I'LL READ IT WITH THE UTMOST CARE.
CHUCKLE
CHUCKLE
NOW I HAVE A COMPLETE SET OF INFORMATION BOTH FOR NORMAL TRANS-FORMERS AND THE PURE-BLOOD!

SP—EED

BUT YOUR WOUNDS... YOU WERE BLEEDING TOO MUCH
MAI!
I'M FINE, THE EFFECT OF THE TRANQUILIZER IS WEARING OFF. I CAN WALK
I'M FINE! BUT PEOPLE SHOULDN'T SEE ME LIKE THIS
LET'S HURRY
CLICK
IT'S UNLOCKED

SONE-
HARA'S
SCENT

HEY, MAI?
THE SAFE IS OPEN!
MAI!
AH—
CAN YOU TELL IF SOME-THING'S MISSING?
PAPA SAID HE KEPT THE DATA ON THE TRANS-FORMERS' RESEARCH IN HERE, BUT—
THAT'S WHAT SHE WAS AFTER THE VALU-ABLES ARE STILL HERE

EH?
IF SHE WANTED THE DATA SO MUCH, LET HER HAVE IT
BUT I WILL NEVER FORGIVE HER!
SHE KILLED MY FATHER RIGHT BEFORE MY EYES
AND SHE DROVE MY MOTHER TO HER DEATH, TOO

AND SHE EVEN DARED COME TO MY HOUSE
THIS IS OUR HOME!
IT'S MY MOST IMPORTANT PLACE, FILLED WITH PAPA'S SCENT!
I CAN'T FORGIVE HER FOR COMING HERE
AFTER SHE KILLED MY MAMA AND MY PAPA!

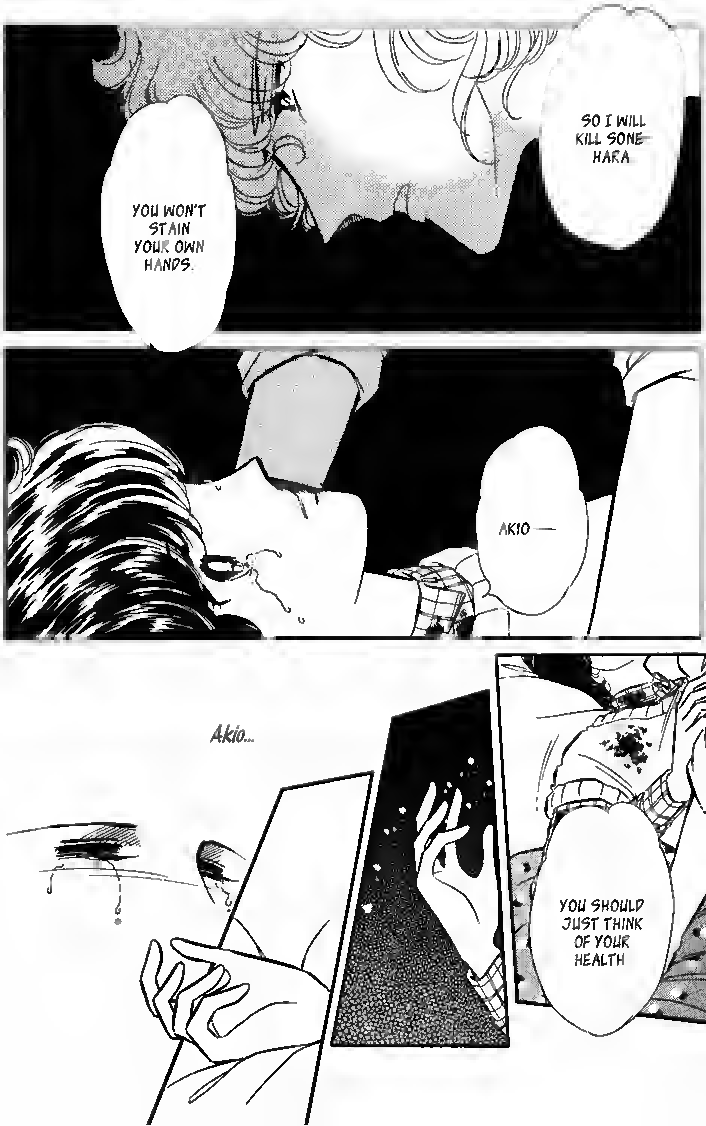
I WON'T FORGIVE HER!
I'LL KILL HER!
MAI—

MAI...
PAIN
AH!
PAPA...
MAMA...
Sob
Sob

Sob
Sob

DON'T TRY TO STOP ME!
I'M NOT!
BUT —
SONE-HARA WON'T RUN AWAY
BUT YOU MUST RECOVER FIRST. YOU'VE LOST TOO MUCH BLOOD.
I'LL KILL THAT WOMAN!
LET ME GO, AKIO!
I'LL DEAL WITH HER
!!!

IF POSSIBLE, I WANT TO MAKE SURE YOU WON'T KILL PEOPLE
WE— I,
YOUR MOTHER AND YOUR REAL FATHER—
WE HAVE ALL KILLED PEOPLE IN OUR PANTHER FORMS.
BUT YOU SHOULDN'T TASTE BLOOD.
IF THERE'S SOMEONE YOU WANT TO KILL, I'LL DO THAT FOR YOU


SO I WILL KILL SONE HARA
YOU WON'T STAIN YOUR OWN HANDS.
AKIO —
Akio...
YOU SHOULD JUST THINK OF YOUR HEALTH

!!!
Creak
AKIO, ARE YOU GOING OUT?
SOMEWHERE CONNECTED TO EAST JAPAN HEAVY INDUSTRIES, PROBABLY
I'LL TRY TO FIND OUT WHERE SONEHAKA WENT
YOU REALLY HAVE SHARP EARS

NO, I'LL BE ENOUGH
YOU SHOULD SLEEP TODAY
THEN I'M COMING, TOO!
UNTIL I FIND SONE-HARA,
YOU MAKE SURE YOU'RE RECOVERED
EH?
WELL, I'LL TRY TO GET OUT AS SECRETLY AS POS-SIBLE,
BUT IF ANYONE COMES OR CALLS, DON'T ANSWER!
EVEN IF SOMEONE ASKS ABOUT THE DOCTOR, DON'T ANSWER

AH!
HE SHOULD HAVE BEEN ADMITTED TO THE HOSPITAL TODAY. THEY'LL BE LOOKING FOR HIM
JUST LET THEM THINK THERE'S NOBODY HOME
JUCKLINE
That's right — I can't tell anyone that papa's dead.
If I do, they'll find out about him... about my blood... everything!
Papa —
I'M GOING!
AND YOU GO TO SLEEP!

tock
Tick
Tick
tock
Tick

I never thought being alone could be so terrible...
I can't stand it...
Open
Akio always used this room...
So it's full of his scent...

SLIDE
Maybe I should wash it
The shirt Akio wore yesterday...
PULL
SHOCK

BLOOD
HE MUST HAVE COUGHED IT LAST NIGHT.
I was so worried about mama and papa that I totally forgot...
Akio's life is short, just like mama's.
He must have been in a horrible condition...
He coughed so much blood.
And he didn't tell me.

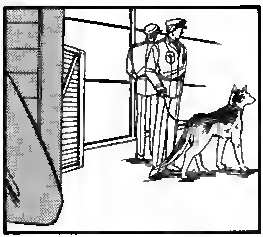
I'm sorry.
I'm sorry I didn't notice it.
I'M BACK!
Open
CLOSE
Is she asleep?
MA?
CREAK

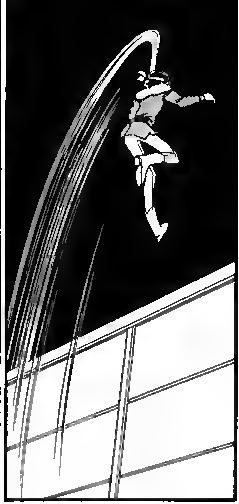
CLOSE
...

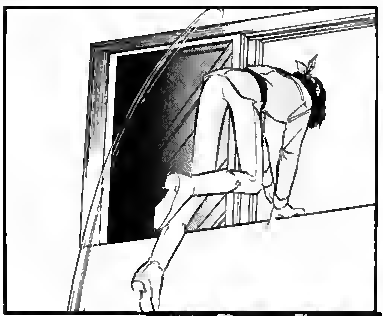
OPEN
AKIO, IS THAT YOU?
COME IN!
DID I WAKE YOU UP?
SORRY!
HOW DO YOU FEEL?
THE WOUNDS ARE ALRIGHT...
He's back to normal
DID YOU FIND HER?
YES.
YOU REMEMBER THAT FACTORY? SHE'S PROBABLY THERE.
THEN, TOMORROW
LET'S GO TOMORROW

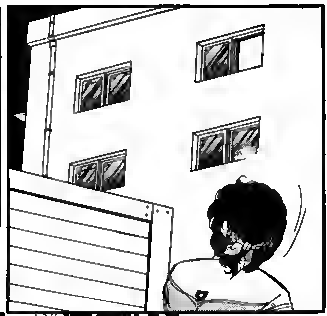
.....
AKIO... YOU TOO.
YEAH. REST WELL TONIGHT.
East Japan Heavy Industries
Central Factory
I'm sorry, Akio.
Now that I know your health is failing, I can't leave Sonehara to you.

I have to kill her myself.
I know it's wrong to kill people.
Forgive me just this once.
But I can't forgive her no matter what!
I'll never forgive her!

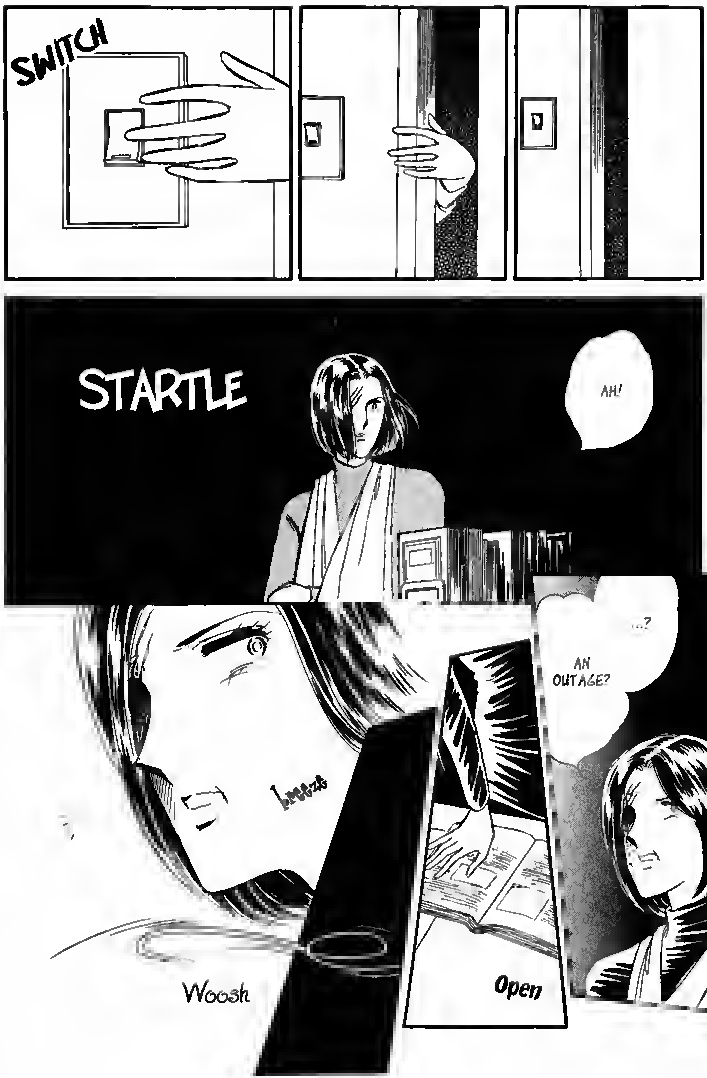








Infrared rays!
Must be over there...


SWITCH
STARTLE
AH!
...?
AN OUTAGE?
Woosh
Open

!
Whirl
SLAM
STRANGLE
WHO?!

SILENCE
THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN GET PAST THE SECURITY HERE IS YOU.
MAI!
ah!
MAI!
THAT'S RIGHT.
AND THE REASON I MANAGED TO SNEAK IN SO CAREFULLY IS BECAUSE I WAS LOOKING FOR YOU.
SONEHARA SAN.

IF I WANTED TO,
I COULD HAVE KILLED YOU BEFORE YOU NOTICED ME
BUT I WANTED TO MAKE YOU FEEL THE TERROR YOU MADE ME FEEL
BECAUSE I'M NOT AS KIND AS MY MAMA WAS
Grin
MAI-CHAN...
YOU'RE TALKING TOO MUCH
BANG

?!
SQUEEZE
PULL
I THOUGHT YOU KNEW BETTER THAN TO...
SILENCE
I DO... IT'S JUST THAT I'M NOT SCARED
SHOCK

SWITCH
I WAS JUST TRYING TO GIVE YOU...
A TASTE OF YOUR OWN MEDICINE.

IT'S THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE THAT I'VE HATED ANYONE SO MUCH
I'M NOT SCARED OF BULLETS
BEFORE YOU MANAGE TO KILL ME WITH BULLETS, I'LL BE ABLE TO KILL YOU WITH MY BARE HANDS
STOP

DROP
grin
ALRIGHT THEN.
GO AHEAD AND KILL ME
WHAT... DO YOU MEAN?
BUT THEN AKIO WILL DIE WITH ME

I HAVE THE DATA SHIN'YA COLLECTED FROM YOU,
AND THE DATA I COLLECTED FROM RINKO
AND WHEN I COMPARED THEM I FOUND A WAY TO PROLONG YOUR SHORT LIVES
Prolong...
the short lives!?
SEE, THE SECURITY FINALLY CAME
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
BANG
BANG
SONEHARA-SAN, WAS THAT SHOOTING JUST NOW?!
SONE-HARA-SAN!

KILL ME AND ALL YOU CAN DO IS WAIT FOR AKIO'S DEATH...
OR LET ME TREAT HIM
Choosing
THE CHOICE IS YOURS
AH...
BANG
BANG
BANG
SONEHARA-SAN, OPEN UP!
WHAT HAPPENED! SONEHARA-SAN!

But I can't trust a word of what she says, can I?
Cure our short life-spans?
Grin

CRASH!
BANG
BANG
SONE-HARA-SAN!
PULL
!
STAY AWAY!
IF YOU COME HERE, I'LL KILL HER!!!

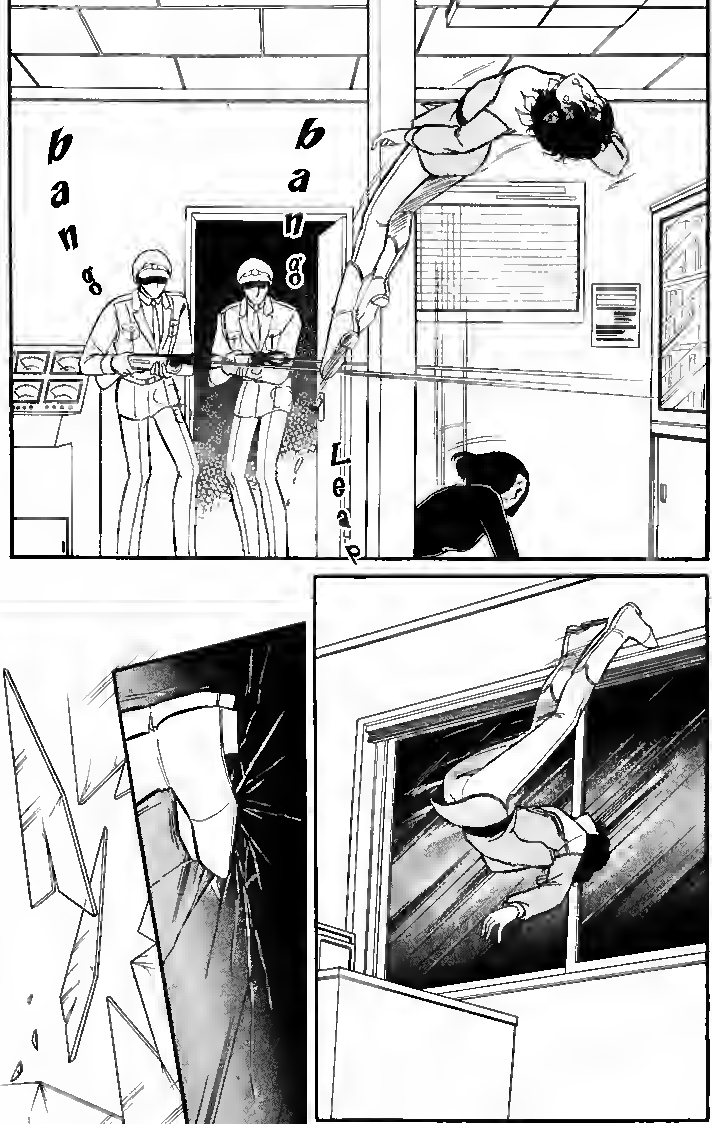
IF THEY COME?
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WANTED TO KILL ME AT ANY RATE?
HOW DID YOU NOTICE SOMETHING F'AF'A DIDN'T MANAGE TO NOTICE IN THAT DATA?!
I CAN
IF YOU LEAVE HIM TO ME
HOW
HOW DO I KNOW YOU REALLY CAN HEAL AKIO!?

Grin
IT'S ALL IN YOUR BLOOD.
THE SERUM OF YOUR BLOOD IS THE ANSWER.
MY... MY BLOOD?

YES.
I KNEW THAT EVERY TIME ONE OF YOU TRANSFORMS, YOU EXHAUST YOUR CELLS AND LOOSEN THEIR CONNECTION WITHIN THE ORGANS.
EVEN YOU, WHO HAVE NEVER TRANSFORMED, HAVE USED YOUR OTHER POWERS SEVERAL TIMES
BUT YOU ARE DIFFERENT FROM RINKO AND THE OTHERS.
THE STRUCTURE OF YOUR CELLS NEVER GETS LOOSENED OR EXHAUSTED

YOU ARE HEALTHY NOW... THE SERUM FROM YOUR BLOOD CAN SERVE AS A CURE FOR AKIO...
Gnuckling
IF SHIN'YA HAD OBTAINED THE RESULTS FROM MY RESEARCH,
HE WOULD HAVE REACHED THE SAME CONCLUSION...

That must be a lie.
A lie she made up to make me free her.
But
if that's true...
WAVE
AIM
Ah!


bang
bang
Leap

LAND

MAI!
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN SAVE AKIO!
REMEMBER THAT!
Is this true?
If it really is true...
"I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN SAVE AKIO!"

I WAS JUST GOING TO LOOK FOR YOU!
MAI!
AND I WARNED YOU SO MUCH!
DID YOU GO TO THE FACTORY? DID YOU KILL SONEHARA?!
I'M SORRY...

THEN, WHAT HAPPENED?
?!
EHM
YOU'RE KIDDING!
AS IF I'D EVER AGREE TO BE TREATED BY SONEHARA!

SHE HAS TO EXTRACT SERUM FROM YOUR BLOOD AND INJECT IT INTO ME
WE'LL BOTH BE AT HER MERCY
AND EVEN IF WHAT SHE SAID WAS TRUE, DO YOU REALIZE WHAT THAT MEANS?
THEN YOU WANT TO BECOME HER GUINEA PIG?!
BUT THERE'S NOBODY ELSE WE CAN ASK! WE CAN'T LET ANYONE ELSE KNOW ABOUT US!
BUT
I WON'T SELL MY FREEDOM AND MY PRIDE,
EVEN IN RETURN FOR A LONG LIFE!

AKIO...
Ding Dong
///
Ding Dong
HEY INSPECTOR, ARE YOU REALLY SURE THAT WAS THE CORPSE OF MIZUSHIMA-SENSEI?
YES
SEEMS THERE'S NOBODY HOME... HOW MANY PEOPLE WERE THERE IN HIS FAMILY?

HE HAD A DAUGHTER
BUT SHE HAS BEEN GONE FOR DAYS NOW
SO THEY IDENTIFIED THE DOCTOR
AN INSPECTOR AND THE BUILDING MANAGER!
MANAGER, YOU'LL HAVE TO OPEN THIS DOOR
CLINK
clink
TO FAFA'S CLOSET!
WE CAN BOTH FIT THERE!
clink

Open
YOU CHECK THAT ROOM!
I DON'T SEE ANYTHING SUGGESTIVE HERE
YEAH.
AND WE DON'T KNOW WHO WAS THE SECOND VICTIM. WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO FIND THE DAUGHTER AND QUESTION HER
BUT THAT GUY DIED BEING SHOT
THIS IS A MURDER CASE, SO LET'S CHECK MORE CAREFULLY

I want to scream it right now!
It was Sonchara-san!
Sonchara-san killed papa!
But then,
I'll have to tell them about the transformers, too...
CREAK
CLINK
CLINK

PULL
PULL
GIRL

PULL
thump
thump
Rustle
Rustle
thump
thump
thump

thump
Pull
...
Ah!
Pull

SHUT
COMING!
THEN COME HELP ME HERE!
NOT YET!
HEY, DID YOU FIND ANYTHING?
sigh
WHEN THE POLICE LEAVE,
WE HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE

SEIRYO HIGH SCHOOL
ABOUT MAI?
SHE HAS BEEN ABSENT FROM SCHOOL FOR SOME TIME
SHE CAME JUST ONCE A COUPLE OF DAYS AGO AND DISAPPEARED AGAIN
WE HEARD IN THE NEWS THAT HER FATHER DIED,
BUT WHAT REALLY HAPPENED?
THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO FIND OUT
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE?
WELL, WE THOUGHT SHE WAS WITH TAKASHINA-SAN, BUT
TAKASHINA-SAN?
AKIO TAKASHINA-SAN
HE'S THIRD YEAR IN THE LAW DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY DIVISION OF THIS SCHOOL

SO THE INSPECTOR CAME TO SCHOOL TOO
THE EVENING PAPER PUBLISHED THE STORY ABOUT THE DOCTOR
OUR NAMES HAVEN'T BEEN PUBLISHED YET, BUT THE POLICE ARE ALREADY SEARCHING FOR US
I SEE
WE CAN'T GO TO SCHOOL OR HOME NOW, RIGHT?
Anyway, I don't want to go to that house where I can't meet papa anymore.
But...
AKIO

I WANT TO SEE THE SEA
CRASH
PIU TRE

YES...
THE PLACE WHERE MAMA DISAPPEARED FIFTEEN YEARS AGO
THIS IS...
PAPA BROUGHT ME HERE A FEW TIMES...
YOU KNOW, SOMETIMES I THINK...
MAI!
WAS SHE COLD, DROWNING IN THE SEA...
WAS SHE SUFFERING
STOP THIS! IT'S TOO MUCH UNLIKE YOU!
EVEN IF YOU CAN'T RETURN TO YOUR OWN LIFE, YOU HAVE TO GO ON...
I CAN DO THAT!

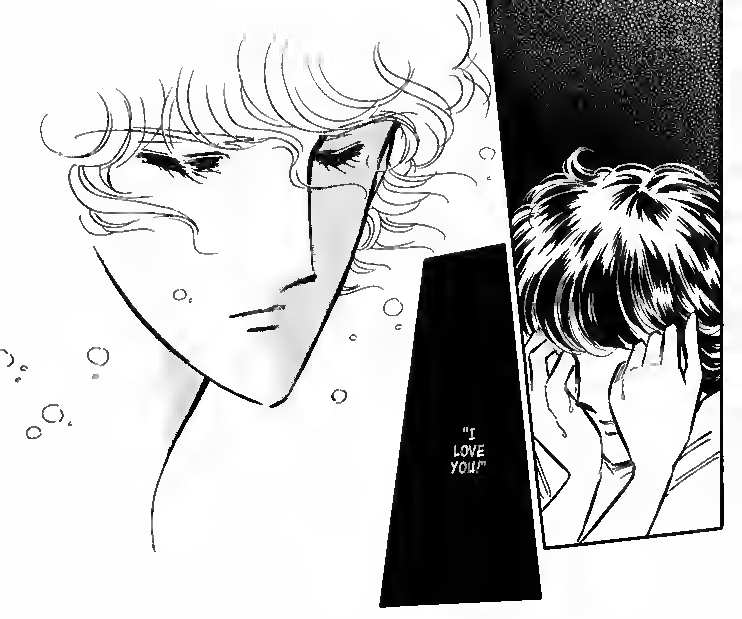
SOMEHOW
LIFE WILL GO ON
EVEN IF PAPA IS GONE
I HAVE NO LINGERING AFFECTIONS FOR MY OLD LIFE
BUT,
AKIO!
I CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE YOU!

MAI!!!!
I WANT TO TRUST HER!
IF
IF THERE'S EVEN A LITTLE TRUTH IN WHAT SONEHARA-SAN SAYS,
YOU SAID YOU WON'T SELL YOUR FREEDOM AND PRIDE FOR A LONG LIFE
BUT I HAVE NOBODY AND NOTHING
I TREASURE MORE THAN YOU!
PIU TRE

"YOU HAVE TO TELL HIM!"
"YOU HAVE TO TELL HIM EVERYTHING!"
"WHEN YOU KNOW THAT YOUR LIFE IS SHORT IT TAKES A LOT OF COURAGE TO SAY 'I LOVE YOU' "
I LOVE YOU

BUT I CAN'T LOSE YOU!
I DON'T MIND LOSING EVERYTHING ELSE!
I LOVE YOU!!!

I CAN'T GO ON IF I LOSE YOU...
PIU TRE
.....
I CAN'T...



I love you!

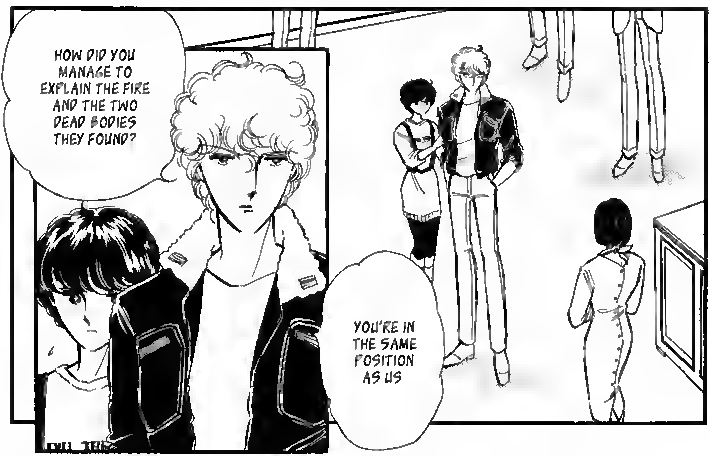
MAI
PROMISE ME YOU'LL ALWAYS PUT YOUR LIFE BEFORE MINE
CAN YOU DO THAT?

Ah!
LISTEN! IF MY CONDITION WORSENS BEYOND HOPE OF RECOVERY...
AKIO?!
NO MATTER IF WHAT SONEHARA SAID WAS TRUE OR NOT, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN YOU AGREE
IF ANYTHING HAPPENED TO ME
JUST LEAVE ME AND SAVE YOURSELF CAN YOU PROMISE ME THIS?
CAN YOU PROMISE ME YOU WON'T EVEN THINK OF DYING WITH ME?!

THEN YOU'LL LET HER TREAT YOU?
IF I PROMISE
YES
Such a thing shouldn't happen
This time we'll both be able to escape from Sonohara
I definitely won't be alone!
THEN I...
...PROMISE

SONEHARA-SAN?
YES, IT'S AKIO
WE'RE COMING TO YOU.

WELCOME, BOTH OF YOU
THE POLICE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU IN THE CITY, RIGHT?
THEY EVEN CAME HERE, CAN YOU IMAGINE?!


HOW DID YOU MANAGE TO EXPLAIN THE FIRE AND THE TWO DEAD BODIES THEY FOUND?
YOU'RE IN THE SAME POSITION AS US

STOP THIS!
YOU SAID YOU CAN CURE THE SHORT LIFE-SPAN
SHOW US PROOF!
ALL RIGHT
COME WITH ME
HERE ANYONE CAN SNEAK INTO A CONSTRUCTION SITE
THAT'S SOMETHING EAST JAPAN HEAVY INDUSTRIES IS PERFECTLY UNRELATED TO
I——

MAI-CHAN!
HE'LL TAKE SOME OF YOUR BLOOD FOR A TEST
NOW, YOUR ARM?
I'M NOT PLOTTING ANYTHING HE'LL JUST DRAW SOME BLOOD FROM YOU
COME ON
HOLD

PIU TRE
WILL THIS TEST OF YOURS TAKE MUCH TIME?
WE WON'T UNDERSTAND A THING EVEN IF WE WATCH WE'LL WAIT IN SOME OTHER ROOM
YOU CAN USE THE DIRECTOR'S ROOM
YOU'RE WELCOME
BUT I'LL PUT SECURITY ON THE DOOR
My blood...
Can it really save Akio?

HEY, WHERE IS SAKAKI-SAN?
THE BOSS IS ON A BUSINESS TRIP OVER-SEAS
DON'T ASK ME STUPID QUESTIONS AND GO IN!
Akio?
SLAM!

AKIO?!
GOOD, I CAN'T DO THAT BEFORE THE GUARD
ARE YOU GOING TO TRANSFORM? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT YOUR BOSS?
SONEHARA'S ATTITUDE IS TOO CAREFREE
IT FEELS AS IF EVERYTHING HERE IS UNDER HER COMMAND ONLY
THE BOSS WOULD NEVER ALLOW THAT AND JUST DEPART ON A BUSINESS TRIP!
DO YOU THINK THIS IS IMPORTANT?

SONEHARA'S ONLY WISH IS TO EXPOSE OUR EXISTENCE TO THE PUBLIC.
THE BOSS, ON THE OTHER HAND, WANTS TO KILL US EXACTLY TO KEEP THE SECRET SAFE.
SO UP TO NOW, THEY KEPT EACH OTHER IN BALANCE.
THE BALANCE DEPENDED ON THEIR MUTUAL NEED FOR EACH OTHER'S KNOWLEDGE OR POWER.
SO IF THIS BALANCE HAS BEEN DESTROYED,
WE'LL BE THE ONES TO SUFFER.

YOU MEAN WE DON'T KNOW WHEN SHE MIGHT EXPOSE US
OR KILL US?
...
GENER-ALLY....
I SEE, AKIO, I'M GOING TOO!
ALL WE NEED TO DO IS FIND THE BOSS, RIGHT?
MAI!
grab
I CAN MOVE MUCH EASIER THAN YOU RIGHT NOW
JUST DRAW ME A SIMPLE MAP OF THE FACTORY...

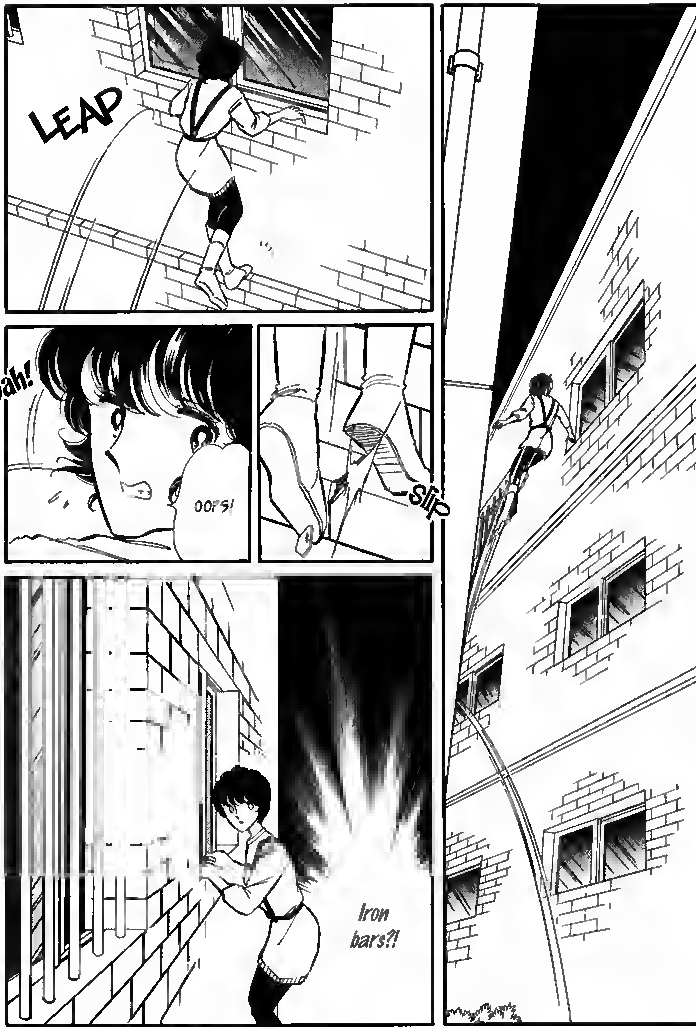
OK
BESIDES A HUMAN CAN LOOK AROUND MORE EASILY!
SECTIONS C AND E SHOULD BE WITHOUT PEOPLE. THE REST ARE STAFFED.
BE CAREFUL

Now that he mentioned it, the atmosphere here feels different from the first time I was here.
I wonder why?
PIU
I can't find the boss anywhere.
Maybe he's really on a business trip?
CREAK

Planning & PR section
CHECK
CHECK
I RESERVED TWO HOURS AT KANTOU TV THIS SUNDAY AT THE GOLDEN TIME
BUT THIS WAS A WASTE OF MONEY AND IT WILL MAKE THE IMAGE OF THE COMPANY SUFFER!
WELL, IT WAS A DIRECT ORDER FROM THE BOSS SAKAKI
ALL WE CAN DO IS FOLLOW THE ORDER
Sakaki-san's order...?
Does he want to become a TV sponsor?
But anyway, he's not here, either.

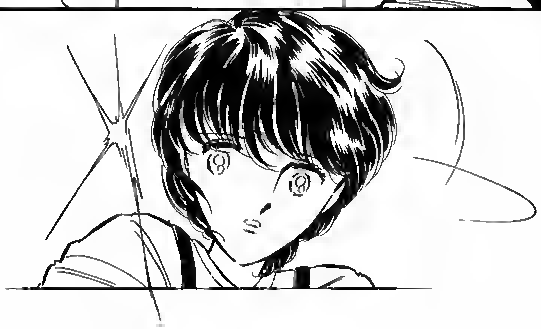
Now all that's left are sections C and E.
Akio said there shouldn't be any staff here, but...
Human scent!
PIU TH

shake
This one, too.
It's locked
shake
shake
It comes from that window!

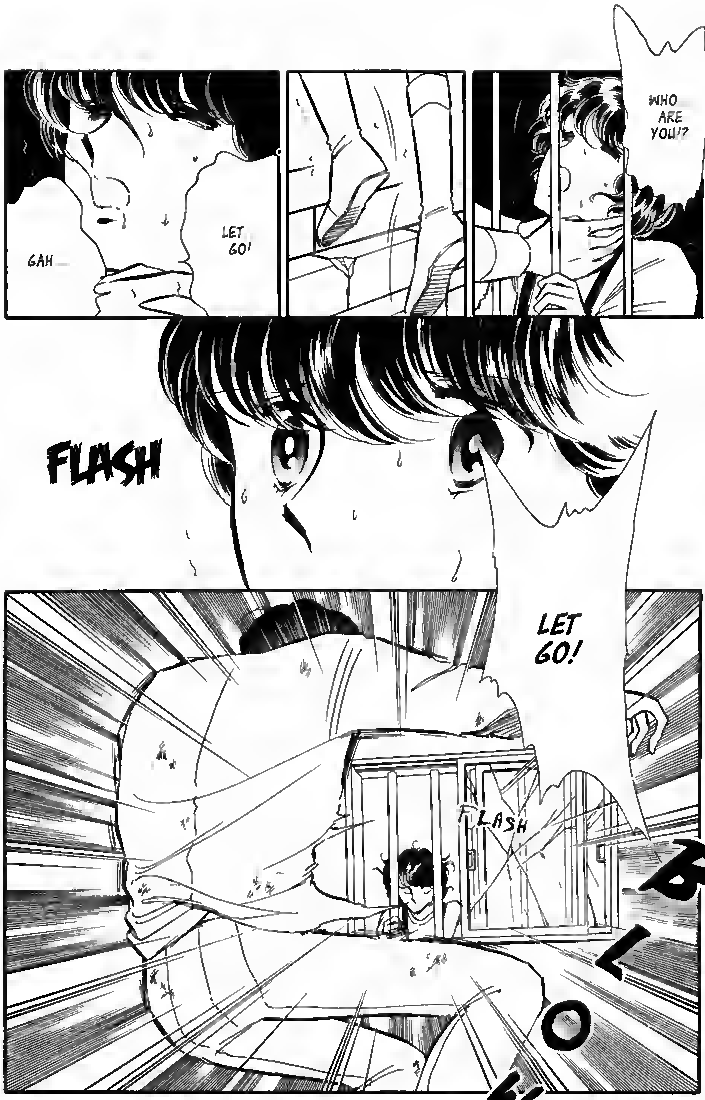

LEAP
Gah!
OOFS!
Slip
Iron bars?!

COME ON...
Why only on that window?

slide



GRAB
AH?!
GAH...
slip


WHO ARE YOU!?
LET GO!
GAH...
FLASH
LET GO!
FLASH
BLOW

NO
STO
haa
haa
SLIDE
DOWN
Heh
STOP
Hehe...
He
he
he
SAKAKI-
SAN?!

Is he... drugged?!
What happened?!
What is the meaning of this? He's a prisoner...
DON'T SHOW IT
THE TRANSFORMING PANTHER
STOP...
NOT THE TV...
"I RESERVED TWO HOURS AT KANTOU TV THIS SUNDAY AT THE GOLDEN TIME."

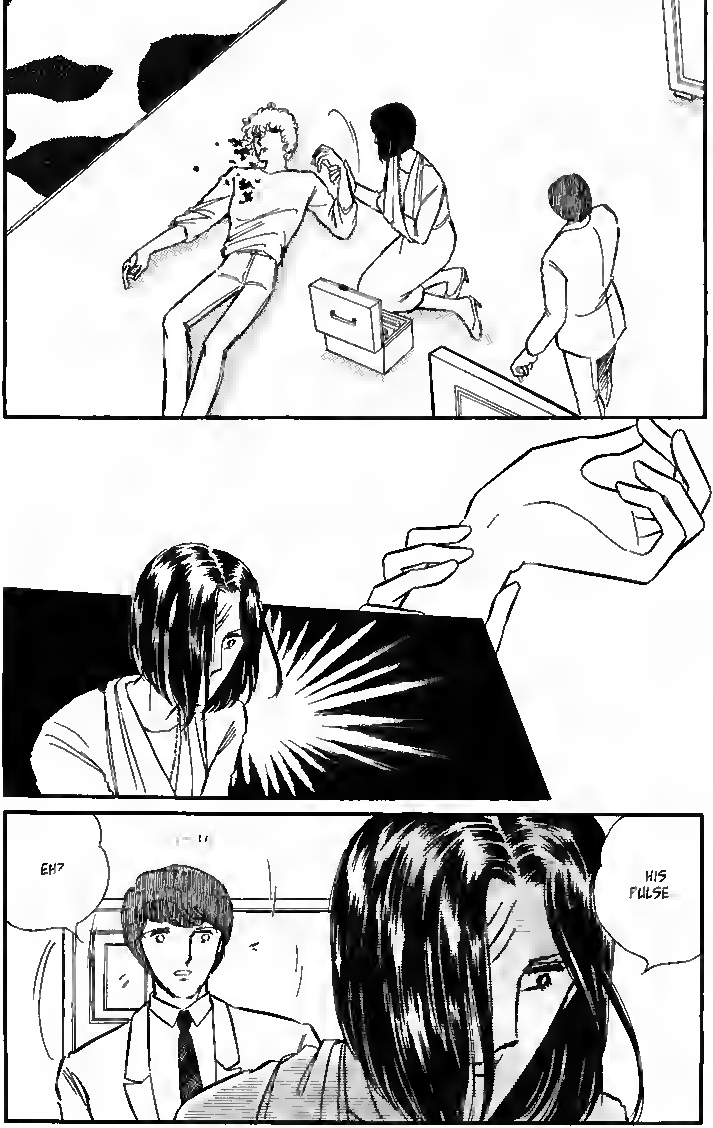
Those were actually Sonchara's orders?!
She'll broadcast a transformation on TV?!
No way!
No way!
PIU TRE

TICK TOCK
TICK TOCK
TICK TOCK
I shouldn't worry so much about her.
Strange... It's different from usual...
But I feel slug-gish...

THROB
GAH
My heart is...?!
HAHA

SLAM
CLATTER
OPEN
AH!
WHAT IS IT?!
AHHH

AKIO COLLAPSED?!
SO-SONEHARA-SAN!
AHH..
GAH
MOVE!
TREMBLE


EH?
HIS PULSE

HIS PULSE
STOPPED

She wants to broadcast a transformation on TV?!

SHOCK
.....
But if that happens, what will happen to us?!
It's true, there's no better way to prove the transformers' existence!
If all those people who watch it start to demand an explanation, the scientific world will have to start investigating us!

CLANK
CLANK
SAKAKI-SAN!
CLANK
CLANK
SAKAKI-SAN?!
Sakaki-san probably knows all details about Sonehara's plan!

PULL
CREAK
He's gone?

GO
STARTLE
REACH

The drug blurred his thinking?
GAH
THUD
SAKAKI-SAN!
FLASH
GAH!
SWISH

AH...
NO
Snap
SAKAKI-SAN, HOLD ON!
AH, MY HEAD...

HOW DOES SONEHARA PLAN TO SHOW TRANSFORMERS ON TV?
TELL ME!
DIZZY
MAI
THE TV
Ah!
DROP
SAKAKI-SAN, YOU KNEW THAT SHE WANTED TO TELL THE WORLD ABOUT US, RIGHT?!
DIZZY
SAKAKI-SAN!
Running

YES...
THAT WOMAN
SHE WANTS TO MAKE AKIO TRANSFORM AND BROADCAST IT LIVE TO THE WORLD
AND SHE ALSO WANTS TO FORCE YOU TO SHOW YOUR SPECIAL POWERS AND BROADCAST THAT TOO

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Drowning in
the Sky

The first time I went on a trip with my friend Kuuko was in the autumn,
when we were eighteen years old.
KYAA!
SUCH A DEEP SKY!
♡

HEY, KUUKO!
DON'T YOU THINK IT FEELS SO GREAT TO JUST STOP AT THE STATION YOU LIKE WITHOUT HAVING ANY PLANS OR SCHEDULE?
YES
BUT ARE YOU SURE IT'S SAFE TO GET OFF AT SUCH A DESERTED STATION?
Tickets inside
WE SHOULD'VE AT LEAST MADE RESERVATIONS FOR THE EVENING WHERE WILL WE SLEEP?
IT'S NO PROBLEM AT ALL!
LOOK, THERE'S A SMALL PENSION THIS WAY!
IT'S NOT THE TOURIST SEASON, SO I'M SURE THEY'LL HAVE ROOMS TO LEASE!
Welcome
ペンション・ビレッジ

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AH, LOOK, KUUKO! A LAKE!
AS USUAL, I JUST CAN'T TELL YOU NO
REALLY! IT'S SO BEAUTIFUL!
LOOK! THE SKY AND THE WATER ARE THE SAME COLOR!
I like Kuuko very much.
We've been together since we started school and I've always liked her.

I BET IT WOULD FEEL SO GOOD TO JUST DROWN IN THIS AZURE,
WITHOUT A CARE IN THE WORLD!
But that one time,
I thought it would be best if she could just disappear

LOOK! THE BLUE PENSION LOOKS SO COOL!
AND IT'S CLOSEST TO THE LAKE!
THAT'S GREAT, BUT DO THEY HAVE ROOMS FOR LEASE THERE?
WELCOME!
A ROOM FOR TWO GIRLS? OF COURSE, COME THIS WAY!
WE DID IT! ♡
COULD YOU PLEASE SIGN THE HOTEL REGISTER NOW?
BOTH OF US?
I'M GOING FIRST! ♡

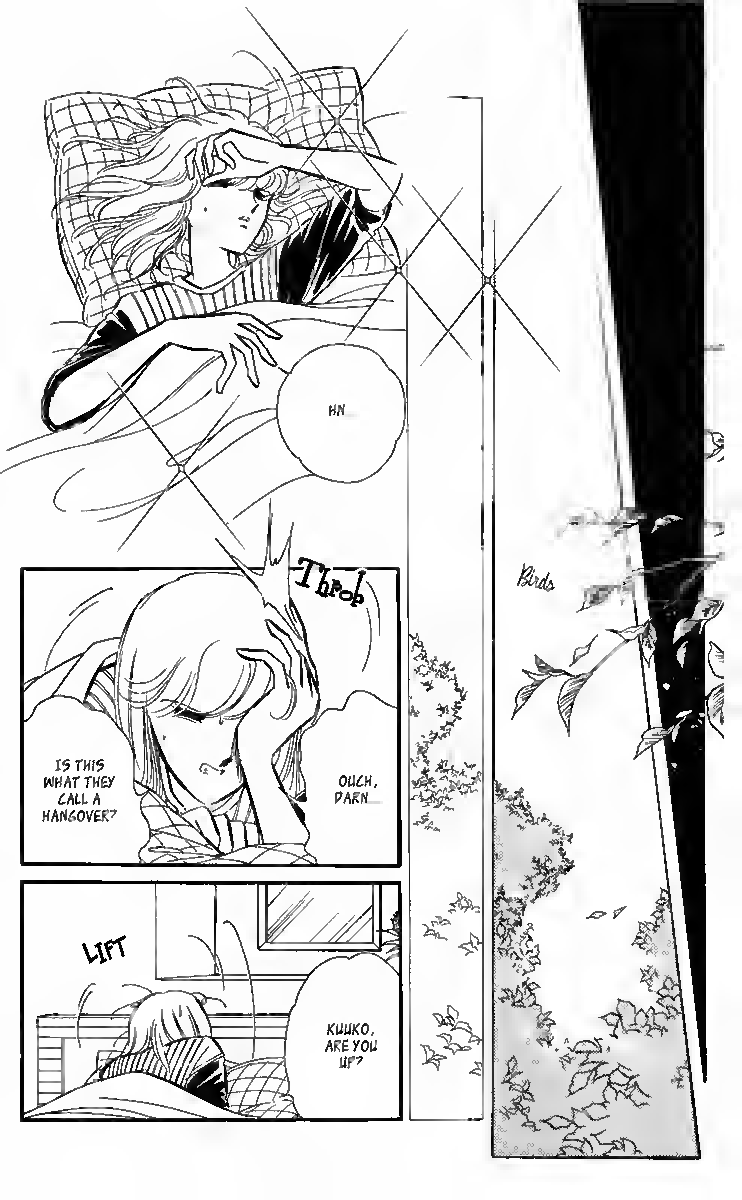
THANKS
HERE, KUUKO!
THIS IS YOUR ROOM
AND YOU'RE WELCOME TO JOIN THE COMPANY DOWNSTAIRS
THE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FROM TOKYO ARE NOISY, BUT WOULD BE HAPPY TO MEET YOU!
UNIVERSITY STUDENTS?
OOH, GIRLS! ♡
GREAT! WE THOUGHT WE'D BE ALL ALONE HERE!
IT'S NO FUN WITH ONLY THOSE DUMB GUYS AROUND!
THIRD YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL?
YEAH!
WE'RE ON A LITTLE TRIP FOR THE WEEKEND

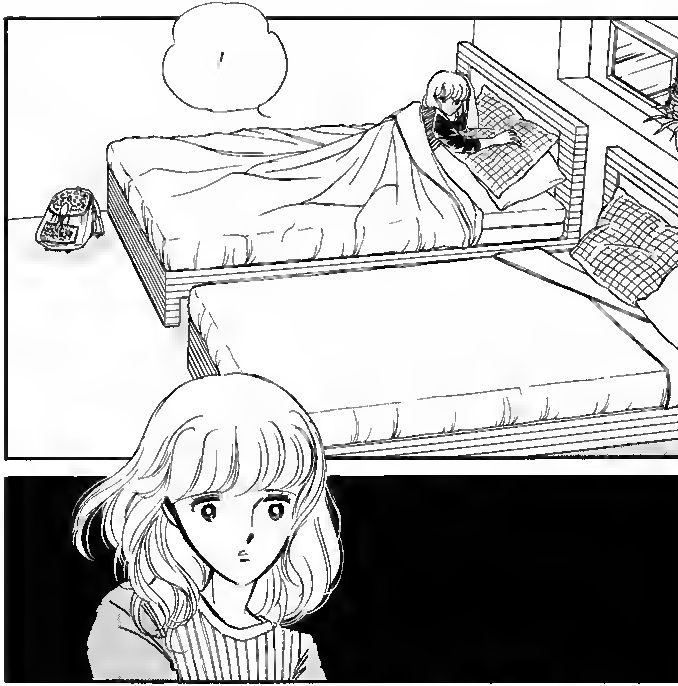
WE DON'T NEED ANY MORE GUYS!
HEY, YOU'RE THE OWNER'S SON, GO PESTER THE OTHER GUESTS!
THIRD YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL!
THE SAME AS ME! I WANT TO JOIN, TOO!
Cheers!!!
I'M SO DIZZY...
I THOUGHT ONE BEER WAS FINE...
MIMI, YOU KNOW YOU CAN'T DRINK...
I FEEL SO SICK...
?

I'M SORRY, MIMI...
I KNOW YOU DID THIS ALL BECAUSE OF ME
I - I KNEW YOU ALWAYS,
ALWAYS LIKED KAZUHIKO
BUT - I STILL TOOK HIM... I'M SORRY...

MIMI? ARE YOU ASLEEP?
I WAS SO HAPPY WHEN YOU ASKED ME TO GO ON A TRIP WITH YOU!
I thought that if we went on a trip I'd finally be able to say "Congratulations" to her...
The guy I loved chose Kuuko.
And I thought that if it was for her sake, I could give up on him...

I'm such a disgusting girl.
I just wish Kouko would disappear...
I want to congratulate them, but I still can't help thinking...


HN...
Throb
IS THIS WHAT THEY CALL A HANGOVER?
OUCH, DARN...
Birds
LIFT
KUUKO, ARE YOU UP?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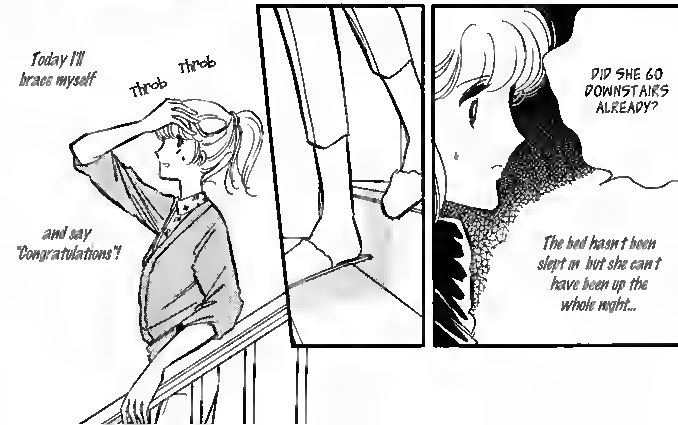
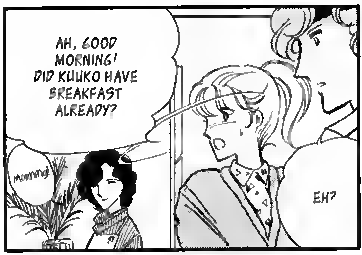
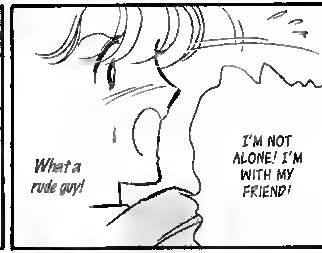
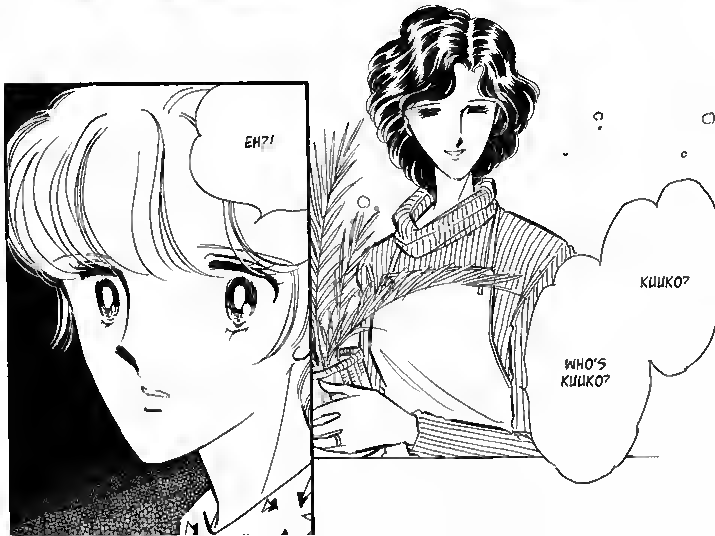

Today I'll brace myself
Throb
Throb
and say "Congratulations"!
DID SHE GO DOWNSTAIRS ALREADY?
The bed hasn't been slept in but she can't have been up the whole night...

GOOD MORNING!
GOOD MORNING!
Hm?
Was there such a guy last evening?
?!
LET ME INTRODUCE MYSELF.
I'M YUUJI OKATA.
I ARRIVED EARLY THIS MORNING BY CAR. I STILL HAVEN'T FOUND MY FRIENDS WHO LEFT ME.
AH, YOU WERE ONE OF LAST NIGHT'S PARTY? YOUR FRIENDS?
I'M MIMI KOBAYASHI.

IF I KNEW THERE WAS SUCH A CUTE GIRL HERE,
I'D HAVE HURRIED OVER HERE QUICKER.
ARE YOU ON A TRIP ALONE? THAT'S DANGEROUS. WHAT IF MY BIG BAD FRIENDS DID SOMETHING TO YOU?


AH, GOOD MORNING! DID KUUKO HAVE BREAKFAST ALREADY?
morning
EH?


What a rude guy!
I'M NOT ALONE! I'M WITH MY FRIEND!


EH?!
KUUKO?
WHO'S KUUKO?

I REMEMBER ONLY ONE GIRL OVER HERE LAST NIGHT
?
DIDN'T YOU COME HERE ALONE?
WHAT? SHE'S MY FRIEND! WE CAME HERE TOGETHER YESTERDAY!
...!?
ERM... HAVE YOU SEEN KYUKO?
WE ALREADY HAD BREAKFAST! YOU?
HEY, MIMI-CHAN! HOW'S THE HANGOVER?

KUUKO?
WHO'S THAT?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
DIDN'T WE ALL PARTY HERE LAST NIGHT?!
SHE'S MY FRIEND! WITH LONG HAIR...
BUT...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
THERE WAS ONLY ONE GIRL - YOU
COME SEE!
KUUKO'S LUGGAGE IS IN MY ROOM!
Ah!

ISN'T THIS YOUR BAG?
Why?!
Kouko's bag is gone...
i
Her shoes are gone!
SHE LEFT THEM IN FRONT OF THE DOOR LAST NIGHT!
AND THE SHOES?!
TURN

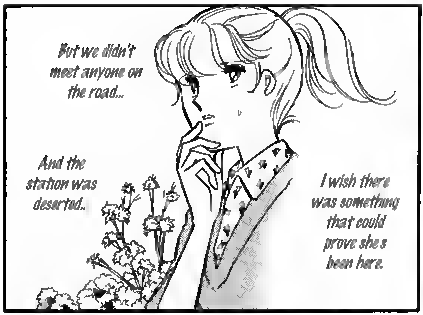
FLIP
FLIP
She wrote it right after mine!
Kuuko's name should be here!
EHM, BUT
WELL, IF IT WILL CALM YOU DOWN
OWNER!
SHOW ME THE REGISTER!
FLIP
Yuuji Okata 22
Here's me, and on the next page...
THE PAGE AFTER YOU WAS BLANK SO I FILLED IT WHEN I ARRIVED THIS MORNING...
!

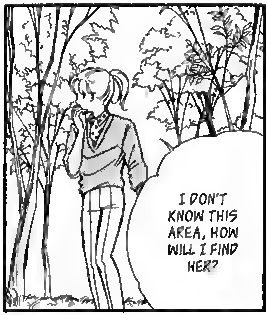
....
What is the meaning of this...
Am I going mad?!
WELL, CALM DOWN
WHY DON'T YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO EAT AND THEN...
I- I CAN'T CALM DOWN!
THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING! I'M SURE KUUKO WAS HERE!

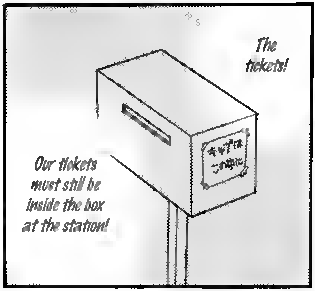
KUUKO!!!
Kuuko disappeared.
There's nothing left to prove she was here, with me.
She just vanished into thin air.

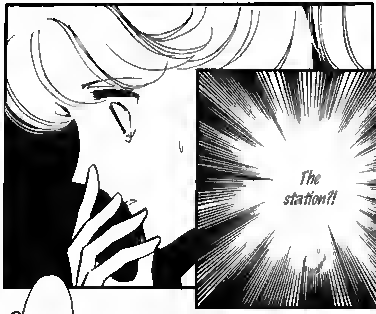
WELL, I LOOKED AROUND THE PENSION,
BUT I DON'T THINK THERE WAS ANYONE ELSE HERE
PLEASE, FIND HER!
BUT I REALLY DID COME WITH KUKO ALL THE WAY FROM YOKOHAMA!
IT'S BECAUSE WE DIDN'T MEET ANYONE ON THE WAY HERE!
AND THERE'S NOBODY WHO HAS SEEN ANOTHER GIRL EXCEPT FOR YOU
OF COURSE.
THANK YOU FOR COMING HERE, OFFICER!
CALL HER PARENTS TO COME PICK HER UP AND DON'T GET YOUR EYES OFF HER!
FINE, FINE.
I'LL GO SEARCH THE AREA.

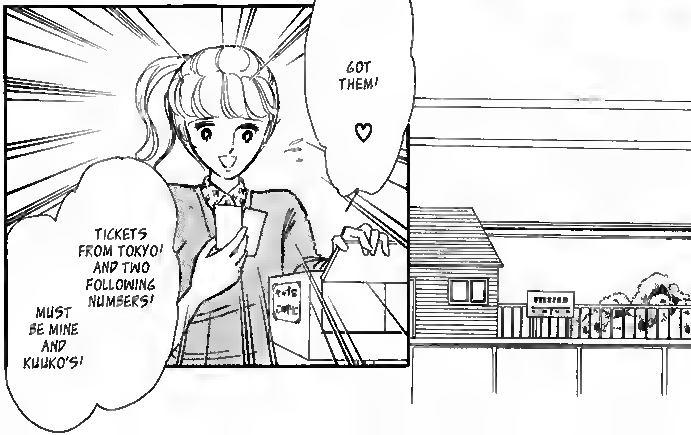
The policeman doesn't trust me.
He thinks I'm crazy.
Something happened!
Kuuko...
Where have you gone!?

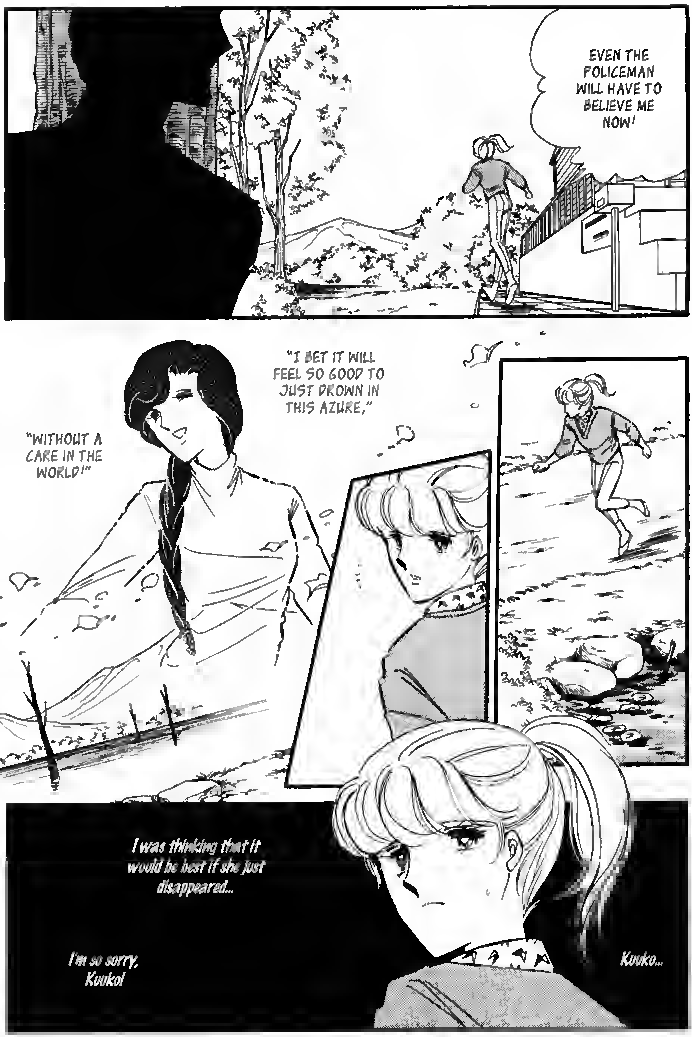

But we didn't meet anyone on the road...
And the station was deserted.
I wish there was something that could prove she's been here.


I DON'T KNOW THIS AREA, HOW WILL I FIND HER?


The tickets!
Our tickets must still be inside the box at the station!


The station?!


GOT THEM! ♡
TICKETS FROM TOKYO! AND TWO FOLLOWING NUMBERS!
MUST BE MINE AND KUKO'S!


EVEN THE POLICEMAN WILL HAVE TO BELIEVE ME NOW!
"I BET IT WILL FEEL SO GOOD TO JUST DROWN IN THIS AZURE,"
"WITHOUT A CARE IN THE WORLD!"
I was thinking that it would be best if she just disappeared...
I'm so sorry, Kouko!
Kouko...

Kyoko..
I don't know what happened but I hope shes all right
I love you after all!
RUB
SPLASH

?!
Rustle
!!!

Grab
AH..?!
SHOVE
!!!
bubble
bubble

bubble
It hurts...
Help me...
bubble
Who?
Who is this?!
He's so strong!
I'll
die...
bubble

Air...
Air...
I'm breathing...
HN...
AH...
CAN YOU HEAR ME?
ARE YOU ALIVE, MIMI-CHAN?
STAND

SHAKE
AH
MIMI-CHAN!
WHAT HAP-PENED?
WHY DID YOU WANT TO SWIM IN SUCH A PIKTY PLACE? OR DID YOU SLIP AND FALL?
SLIP?
I WENT TO LOOK FOR YOU BECAUSE YOU TOOK TOO LONG, AND I FOUND YOU IN THE LAKE FACE DOWN!
I didn't slip!
Someone tried to drown me!
WHAT IS IT?
The tickets are gone!
Someone stole them!

SHOCK
MIMI-CHAN?
Someone tried to kill me..
Kuuko... What happened to Kuuko, then?!
Someone tried to kill me!
Reach
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

...trust anyone!
I can't...
Dash
MIMI-CHAN!
Kouko is here!
Then why is everyone else lying?!
!!!
Oh, my!
Everyone at the pension said the same thing, which means they understand what's going on!
They even removed her bag and the shoes!
There's no other way to look at it!!!

WHY?!
SNEAK
YOU EVEN TRIED TO KILL MIMI-CHAN?
MASAYUKI, ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND?!
Eh?!

BUT—
BUT I DON'T KNOW, SHE MIGHT STILL BE ALIVE!
BUT- BUT I HAD NO CHOICE! SHE FOUND PROOF THAT KUUKO WAS HERE!
What is this?!
What?
THUD
Back off
YOU IDIOT! WHY DIDN'T YOU AT LEAST CHECK THAT?
IF SHE'S ALIVE, SHE'LL FIND OUT WHAT WE'RE DOING! GO CHECK, NOW!

MIYAMOTO-SAN!
YOU HEARD, DIDN'T YOU?
THUD
AH...
WH—
WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO KUUKO?!

ANSWER ME! WHERE IS KUUKO?!!!
IT... WAS AN ACCIDENT
WE ONLY MEANT TO HAVE SOME FUN!
ONE OF THE GUYS HAD MARIJUANA AND
YOU WERE ALREADY ASLEEP... AND...

And then she came down because she couldn't sleep...
EXCUSE ME, WHERE IS THE
QUIET! OR MOTHER'LL CATCH US
THOSE HIGH-SCHOOLERS WERE CUTE
SNIFF
HEY, KUKO-CHAN!
COME PLAY WITH US!
NO LET ME GO!
COME ON, YOU'LL FEEL REALLY GOOD!
STOP!
Trip
HUSH! DON'T SHOUT!
COME ON, HAVE SOME!
SHOVE
NO-NO!

AH!
AHM
WHAT IS GOING ON? IT'S SO LATE AT...

AND—
AND KUUKO WAS...?
WHERE IS SHE NOW?!
WE- WE HAD TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!
YEAH. WE WON'T GET EMPLOYED ANYWHERE IF THIS GETS OUT!
WE COULDN'T LET THE POLICE CATCH US!
GRAB
NO!

NO!
STOP! LET GO!
GAH....
Kuuko!
No, Help me!
Save me...

Ah!
HEY, DID MIMI-CHAN RETURN?
THE POLICEMAN IS HERE TO SEE HER
EHM, OWNER, I WENT TO CHECK WHAT THAT GIRL SAID,
AND IT TURNS OUT THE SWITCH-MAN AT THE STATION DID SEE TWO GIRLS GET OFF THE TRAIN THAT DAY!
JUST-JUST GO
TO THE LAKE, ON THE WOODED SIDE SEARCH THE BOTTOM
MADAM?
!!!

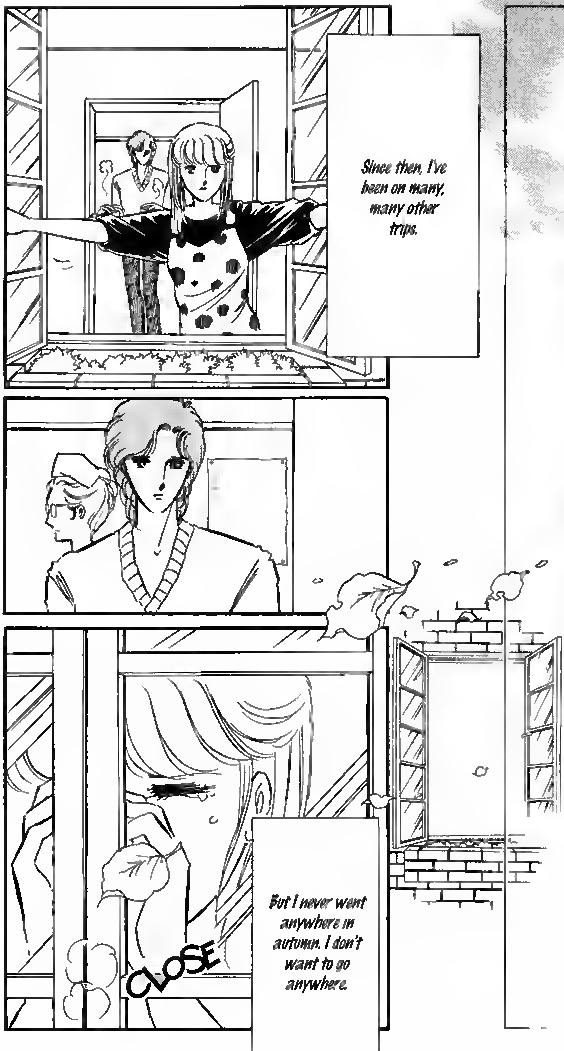
SPLASH
bubbling
bubbling
bubbling
bubbling
I'm dying...
Kyoko...
Kyoko...
Clank

KIIIKO!!!

Kuuko!
Bubble
Kuuko...
KUUUKO!
And that's all I remember.

Vaguely,
I recall the feeling of large hands holding me...

"I BET IT WOULD FEEL SO GOOD TO JUST DROWN IN THIS AZURE,"
'WITHOUT A CARE IN THE WORLD!"
"I WAS SO HAPPY WHEN YOU ASKED ME TO GO ON A TRIP WITH YOU!"


Since then, I've been on many, many other trips.
But I never went anywhere in autumn. I don't want to go anywhere.
CLOSE

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RAWR
Why won't you release the next chapter?!
Can I help you?
What can I do to help?
Fan Girl
It's not like YOU helped out any...
We don't have enough translators or editors
Cross-eyed attempt
Visit our website for details
Find us some translators and editors and you'll have your next chapter
http://www.aerandria.net